## City of Seattle

## PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS**, the United Nations adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights to promote and protect the rights of all people, and the City of Seattle embraces and celebrates its diverse communities; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Seattle celebrates the anniversary of Human Rights Day to reaffirm its commitment to the basic principles underlying the Universal Declaration of Human Rights equality and justice for all; and
- WHEREAS, today marks the annual celebration of Human Rights Day, which focuses on the importance of economic and social justice to create a city that is enriched by its diversity and enjoys the full participation of all its residents; and
- **WHEREAS**, this Human Rights Day recognizes both individuals and organizations for their exemplary efforts to promote human rights in Seattle; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Seattle reaffirms its core belief that our city remains an opening, welcoming, and inclusive city for all and will continue to provide opportunity for any person seeking to build a better life; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City encourages all residents to give special thanks for the benefits we enjoy as a free people and rededicate our efforts to make the promise of the Declaration of Human Rights a reality for all;

NOW, THEREFORE I, EDWARD B. MURRAY, MAYOR OF SEATTLE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM, DECEMBER 10, 2016 TO BE

**Human Rights Day** 

Mayor Edward B. Murray

City of Seattle

